

**MINUTES OF THE
TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE**
Wednesday, June 15, 2011 – 2:00 p.m. – Room 20 House Building

Members Present:

Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell, Senate Chair
Sen. Scott K. Jenkins
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Karen Mayne
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher
Rep. Rebecca P. Edwards
Rep. Janice M. Fisher
Rep. Julie Fisher
Rep. Stephen G. Handy
Rep. Lynn N. Hemingway
Rep. Todd E. Kiser
Rep. Bradley G. Last

Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Val L. Peterson
Rep. Kraig Powell
Rep. Holly J. Richardson
Rep. Kenneth W. Sumsion

Members Absent:

Rep. Bradley M. Daw, House Chair

Staff Present:

Mr. Leif G. Elder, Policy Analyst
Ms. Shannon C. Halverson, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Tracey Fredman, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1. Committee Business

Rep. Julie Fisher called the meeting to order at 2:23 p.m. Chair Daw was excused from the meeting.

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2011 meeting. The motion passed with Sen. Knudson, Sen. Mayne, Rep. Kiser, and Rep. Sumsion absent for the vote.

2. Annual Review of New Transportation Capacity Projects

Mr. Carlos Braceras, Deputy Director, Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), directed committee members to the UDOT website where a current report of capacity projects is available to the Legislature and the public at <http://www.udot.utah.gov/transparency>. Mr. Braceras demonstrated features on the website and briefed committee members on the status of new transportation capacity projects.

Mr. Braceras also distributed and reviewed "Mountain View Corridor Progress Report, Summer 2011," "Summer 2011 Progress Report," and a map of the "Southern Parkway."

Rep. Fisher turned the chair over to Senator Van Tassell.

3. Utah Department of Transportation Audit

Ms. Debbie Empey, Audit Director, and Ms. Jennifer Vallejos, Audit Supervisor, Office of the Utah State Auditor, summarized issues within the "Utah Department of Transportation I-15 Utah Corridor Expansion, Findings and Recommendations" which was distributed in the mailing packet.

Mr. Randy Park, Director of Project Development, UDOT, distributed "UDOT I-15 Utah County Corridor Expansion," and indicated that all but two recommendations in the audit have been implemented.

Committee discussion followed. Ms. Empey, Ms. Vallejos, and Mr. Park responded to committee members' questions.

4. Annual State Highway System Changes

Ms. Linda Hull, Director, Legislative and Government Affairs, UDOT, distributed and reviewed "Proposed Additions To or Deletions From the State Highway System Annual Report to the Transportation Interim Committee."

5. Driver License Issues

Ms. Nannette Rolfe, Director, Driver License Division, distributed "Utah Driver Licenses, Identification Cards, and Driving Privilege Cards," "Materially and Fully Compliant Gap Analysis," "Legislative Proposals," "Real ID Compliance Survey – Response Overview," "Features of New License," "Average Wait Times at DLD Offices January 2008 – May 2011," and "Laminated Miniature Birth Certificate."

Ms. Rolfe updated committee members on issues relating to the REAL ID Act of 2005, and the discontinuance of acceptance of laminated, miniature birth certificates by the Driver License Division.

Mr. Chris Caras, Public Safety Bureau Chief, reported on improvements of waiting times at driver license offices.

Ms. Rolfe also presented background information on the provisions of 2012 General Session draft legislation, "Driver License Revisions," which was distributed in the mailing packet.

6. Operation of Trucks on Graded Roadways

This item was not discussed.

7. Other Items / Adjourn

Chair Van Tassell adjourned the meeting at 4:58 p.m.